

Florence, New Jersey
November 5, 2003

The Florence Township Council held a regular meeting on the above date in the Municipal Complex, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order by President Hofflinger at 8:00 PM. President Hofflinger led the Salute to the Flag.

The Township Clerk read the following statement: "Notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice was published in the Burlington County Times on January 5, 2003 and given to the Register News for information. Notice was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board."

Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

John Hofflinger, President
Frank Baldorossi
John Fratinardo
Bruce Garganio
Jerry Sandusky

Also present:

Michael Muchowski, Mayor; Richard Brook, Township Administrator; Thomas Sahol, Assistant Administrator; Dante Guzzi, Township Engineer; William John Kearns, Jr., Township Solicitor; Joy Weiler, Township Clerk

MINUTES

Sandusky made a MOTION; seconded by Fratinardo to approve the following minutes. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Regular Session
Closed Session

September 17, 2003 and October 1, 2003
October 1, 2003 and October 8, 2003

FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENCE

It was on the MOTION of Fratinardo; seconded by Sandusky to receive and file the Court Administrator's report for October. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Fratinardo made a MOTION; seconded by Sandusky to approve the Treasurer's Bill List. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

APPLICATIONS

A. Florence Township Civic Association, Inc.

Off Premise Raffle: 11/24/03	2:00 PM	Florence Twp. Middle School
Off Premise Raffle: 2/7/04	9:00 PM	Bungs Restaurant
Night at the Races: 2/7/04	5:00 PM – 2:00 AM	Bungs Restaurant

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Night at the Races: 2/21/04 5:00 PM – 2:00 AM Bungs Restaurant

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Fratinardo to approve the above applications.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Fratinardo, Sandusky, Hofflinger

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Garganio

ABSENT: None

Motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nothing at this time.

All residents having an opportunity to be heard, MOTION by Sandusky; seconded by Fratinardo to close the public portion of the meeting. All ayes - motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-184

**A RESOLUTION CANCELING TAXES ON PROPERTY
OWNED BY A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN**

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-185

**A RESOLUTION CANCELING TAXES ON PROPERTY
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RESOLUTION NO. 2003-186

**SUPPORT REAUTHORIZATION OF THE NEW JERSEY
TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND AND INCREASED
DEDICATION FOR LOCAL AID**

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-187

**AUTHORIZE REFUND FOR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT
95 Cedar Lane**

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-188

AUTHORIZE REFUND FOR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-189

AUTHORIZING REFUNDS OF CERTAIN TAX OVERPAYMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-190

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF
REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE, COUNTY OF
BURLINGTON, PURSUANT TO N.J.S. 40A:4-87
CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948**

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-191

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF
REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE, COUNTY OF
BURLINGTON, PURSUANT TO N.J.S. 40A:4-87
CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948**

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-192

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF
REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE, COUNTY OF
BURLINGTON, PURSUANT TO N.J.S. 40A:4-87
CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948**

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-193

**AWARD WATER METER READING CONTRACT TO PSE&G
FOR A PERIOD OF 18 MONTH**

NOTE: Conditioned upon the Township Solicitor reviewing the language

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-194

**EMERGENCY TREE WORK – FLORENCE TOWNSHIP
TORNADO OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2003**

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-195

**EMERGENCY RESOLUTION – NJS 40A:4-48
EMERGENCY TREE WORK**

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-196

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE, IN THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE TOWNSHIP'S \$5,538,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2003 AUTHORIZED BY BOND ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED TO FINANCE VARIOUS GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE TOWNSHIP; AND PROVIDING FOR THE FORM, MATURITY DATE AND SALE TO THE BURLINGTON COUNTY BRIDGE COMMISSION AND PROVIDING OTHER DETAILS WITH RESPECT TO SAID BONDS.

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Fratinardo that Resolutions 2003-184 through 2003- 196 be adopted.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Fratinardo, Garganio, Sandusky, Hofflinger

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

ORDINANCES

None at this time.

REPORTS

Committees, Boards and Officers

- Council Member Fratinardo thanked the residents of Florence Township for the confidence they placed in him by reelecting him to Council during yesterday's election.

Mayor Muchowski

- Mayor Muchowski thanked everyone for their support during yesterday's election. He feels that the governing body will work very well together to move the Township in a positive direction.

Administrator

- Nothing at this time.

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Assistant Administrator

- Assistant Administrator Sahol stated that the Shade Tree Committee is sponsoring a volunteer day on December 6, 2003 asking members of the community to help replant trees in the Roebling Park, Eighth Avenue and the FAAD Park. Assistant Administrator Sahol would like Council's approval to purchase thirty trees. Approval granted.

Township Solicitor

- Nothing at this time.

Township Engineer

- Dan Guzzi, Township Engineer, advised Mayor and Council that the preconstruction meeting for the new public works facility was held. The contractor submitted the jackets for the permits. Work should begin in the next couple of weeks.

Council President Hofflinger asked the status of the road program grant? Mr. Guzzi applied but the Township was denied.

Council Member Baldorossi questioned the status of the improvements for the Front Street businesses? Mr. Guzzi is waiting on a determination from the business owners on the lights. Assistant Administrator Sahol is checking with PSE&G regarding lighting and will report back. Mayor Muchowski asked that a meeting be held with the business owners so they can all agree on the lighting.

Council Member Baldorossi questioned grant money to repair the dam in Roebling. Mr. Guzzi is looking into matter.

Council Member Sandusky questioned grant money to improve the parks. Mr. Guzzi believes there may be opportunities for that next year.

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

Steve Mognancki, 904 Walnut Street, stated that there will be a prayer service at 11:00 AM at the Veterans Memorial in honor of those who served.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council Member Sandusky congratulated Mayor Muchowski and John Fratinardo for their victory in the election.

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing at this time.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Council Member Sandusky reported that the odor in the Township has been very bad lately. Council Member Baldorossi stated that the landfill has extended north and asked if a claim could be filed on behalf of the residents of Roebling? Council Member Garganio explained that the Township cannot file another claim but a private group could.

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Mayor Muchowski asked Assistant Administrator Sahol to set up a meeting with Dave Watts, Waste Management, to discuss the landfill.

Mayor Muchowski stated that Garelick Farms is working on some sort of odor control. Mr. Guzzi explained that the remedy for Garelick Farms is in the engineering phase and they have requested the funds in next year's budget cycle for the improvements to control the odor.

Council Member Sandusky asked if there was a continuous flow of the waste once it is treated at Garelick Farms? Mr. Guzzi believes it is fairly continuous.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mayor Muchowski asked Clerk Weiler to provide the governing body with a copy of the current Handicapped Parking Ordinance and the pending applications for their review and discussion at next week's meeting.

8:25 PM MOTION by Sandusky, seconded by Hofflinger to adjourn meeting. Roll call vote - all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

8:25 PM: Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JOY M. WEILER
Township Clerk

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